

**Charter  
for the Native American  
Employment and Training Council**

**The committee's official designation:**

The committee shall be designated as The Native American Employment and Training Council.

**The committee's objectives and the scope of its activity:**

The Council was created pursuant to the provisions of Section 166(h)(4) of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA) (29 USC, Section 2911(h)(4)).

The Council provides advice regarding the overall operation and administration of Native American programs authorized under Section 166 of WIA, as well as the implementation of other programs providing services to Native American youth and adults under WIA.

**Period of time necessary for the committee to carry out its purposes:**

The Council will continue indefinitely as required by the Workforce Investment Act.

**The agency and/or official to whom the committee reports:**

The Council reports to the U.S. Secretary of Labor (Secretary).

**The agency responsible for providing the necessary support for the committee:**

Pursuant to the provisions of WIA Section 166(h)(4)(D)(iii), the Secretary, through the United States Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, shall provide administrative support for the Council.

**A description of the duties for which the committee is responsible:**

The Council will function solely as an advisory body and in compliance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. App.), except that Section 14 of FACA concerning advisory committee expiration and renewal, shall not apply to the Council pursuant to WIA Section 166(h)(4)(G).

The Council shall advise the Secretary on:

A. All aspects of the operation and administration of the programs assisted under WIA Section 166, including:

- (1) establishing regulations to carry out that Section, including performance measures for entities receiving assistance under that Section, taking into account the economic circumstances of those entities;
- (2) developing a funding distribution plan that takes into consideration all previous levels of funding (prior to the date of enactment of WIA) to those entities; and

B. The selection of the individual appointed as the Unit Supervisor of Indian and Native American Programs.

**Membership:**

The Council shall be composed of approximately 21 members, appointed by the Secretary, who are representatives of Indian tribes, tribal organizations, Alaska Native entities, Indian-controlled organizations serving Indians, or Native Hawaiian organizations.

Members of the Council shall serve without compensation and shall be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by Section 166 (h)(4)(D)(ii) of WIA.

The membership of the Council shall, to the extent practicable, represent all geographic areas of the United States with a substantial Indian, Alaska Native, or Native Hawaiian population, and shall include representatives of tribal governments and of non-reservation Native American organizations that are service providers under this Act.

The Council shall elect a chairperson and a vice chairperson from among its members by a majority of a quorum of members present and voting. The term of a chairperson and a vice chairperson shall be for two years. A chairperson and a vice chairperson may serve more than one term.

Members of the Council shall serve at the pleasure of the Secretary for a term designated by the Secretary in writing. A vacancy occurring in the membership of the Council shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. A member appointed to a vacancy on the Council shall serve for the remainder of the term for which the predecessor of that member was appointed.

**The estimated annual operating costs in dollars and staff years for such committee:**

The total estimated annual operating costs for this Council are approximately \$75,000.  
The estimated staff years to support the Council are 0.5 FTE.

**The estimated number and frequency of committee meetings:**

The Council shall meet not less than twice each year.

**Effective date:**

This charter shall become effective on the date on which it is filed.

**Termination date:**

This charter shall be in effect for a period of two years. The Secretary may amend this charter as necessary or convenient.

**Date filed:**

This charter is filed on the date indicated below.



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Elaine L. Chao  
Secretary of Labor

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